(b) whether any proposal has been received from the State Governments in this regard;

(c) if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether new hospitals/dispensaries have been set up in these States with the World Bank assistance; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI SALEEM IQBAL SHERVANI) : (a) to (e) 'Health' being a State subject, the delivery of health care services is primarily the responsibility of State Governments/UT Administrations.

Proposals from a few States including Madhya Pradesh have been received for upgrading their secondary level infrastructure with World Bank assistance. The process of negotioation and finalisation of World Bank assistance as per their procedure takes upto 24 months, based on the past practice. It is, however, not possible to comment on the final outcome of such proposals at this juncture.

*[English]*

**Incidence of Malaria in Andhra Pradesh**

3347. SHRI R. SAMBASIVA RAO : Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Government are aware that incidence of Malaria is alarming in the districts of East and West Godavari and Krishna in Andhra Pradesh;

(b) if so, whether according to the Malaria Eradication Department, statistics reveal a sharp increase during the last two years on the three districts of Andhra Pradesh State;

(c) if so, the details thereof year-wise;

(d) whether a World Health Organisation team of doctors from New Delhi which visited the areas has yet to submit its findings on the problem;

(e) if so, the steps Union Government propose to help the State Government of Andhra Pradesh in checking the rise of Malaria cases; and

(f) if so, the extent to which the Union Government have helped the State?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI SALEEM IQBAL SHERVANI) : (a) to (c) As per reports received from the Government of Andhra Pradesh malaria is on the increase in the districts of East and West Godavari and Krishna during the last two years. A statement showing the trend of malaria cases is enclosed.

(d) Government is not aware of any such visit.

(e) and (f) A National Malaria Eradication Programme is implemented on 50:50 cost sharing basis between the centre and the states. The Central Government provides assistance every year to the State Governments including Andhra Pradesh in the form of materials which includes insecticide, drugs larvicides etc. Central assistance in the form of materials earmarked to the State of Andhra Pradesh during the year 1996-97 amounts to Rs. 908.26 lakhs. Government is negotiating an enhanced Malaria Control Project with World Bank assistance in which interalia the material endemic districts in the State of Andhra Pradesh are proposed to be covered.

***Statement***

*Malaria Epidemiological Data for the Last Three Years in Three Districts of Andhra Pradesh*

| Year | Malaria cases | P.f cases | Deaths |
|---|---|---|---|
| East Godawari | | | |
| 1994 | 6883 | 6242 | Nil |
| 1995 | 7042 | 6159 | One |
| 1996 | 8991 | 7292 | Two |
| West Godawari | | | |
| 1994 | 262 | 185 | Nil |
| 1995 | 288 | 207 | Nil |
| 1996 | 384 | 287 | Nil |
| Krishna | | | |
| 1994 | 11929 | 269 | Nil |
| 1995 | 18963 | 1142 | Nil |
| 1996 | 24489 | 2923 | Nil |

**By-pass between Cannanore and Calicut**

3348. SHRI MULLAPPALLY RAMACHANDRAN : Will the Minister of SURFACE TRANSPORT be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Government propose to construct any By-pass between Cannanore to Calicut in Kerala;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the time by which the work is likely to be completed?

THE MINISTER OF SURFACE TRANSPORT (SHRI T.G. VENKATRAMAN) : (a) and (b) Presumably the Hon'ble Member is referring to Tellicherry Mahe bypass for which alignment has been approved. The work has been divided into two phases. Acquisition of land for phase-I is in progress. Due to paucity of funds, acquisition of land for phase-II could not be sanctioned.

(c) It is too early to indicate the date of completion.